FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Ainsworth John	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/10/2018		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORP /MA [PRGS]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PROGRESS SOFTWARE CORPORATION			Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director	(Month/Day/Year) 10% Owner					
14 OAK PARK DR.			X Officer (give title below) Senior Vice Pres	Other (spe below) sident	´ [6	pplicable Line)	/Group Filing (Check		
(Street) BEDFORD MA 01730			,				y More than One		
(City) (State) (Zip)									
1	Γable I - Nor	n-Derivati	ive Securities Beneficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) 3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect (Instr. 5)		ct (D) (In	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock			3,604	D					
(e.			e Securities Beneficially (nts, options, convertible		s)				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion	se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Employee Stock Options	(1)	02/16/2024	Common Stock	23,490	29.25	D			
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	11,626	(3)	D			
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	11,966	(3)	D			
Restricted Stock Units	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	4,143	(3)	D			
Employee Stock Options	(6)	01/11/2025	Common Stock	13,271	50.69	D			
Restricted Stock Units	(7)	(7)	Common Stock	6,905	(3)	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The stock options vest in eight equal semiannual installments beginning October 1, 2017, subject to the continued employment of the Reporting Person with Progress Software Corporation (the "Company").
- 2. Represents restricted stock units acquired by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vest in six equal semiannual installments beginning October 1, 2017, subject to the continued employment of the Reporting Person with the Company.
- 3. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock
- 4. Represents performance-based restricted stock units acquired by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vest on February 1, 2020, subject to the Company meeting total shareholder return criteria over the three-year period ending November 30, 2019, and the continued employment of the Reporting Person with the Company
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- 6. The stock options vest in eight equal semiannual installments beginning October 1, 2018, subject to the continued employment of the Reporting Person with the Company.
- 7. Represents performance-based restricted stock units acquired by the Reporting Person pursuant to the Company's 2008 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vest on February 1, 2021, subject to the Company meeting total shareholder return and operating income criteria over the three-year period ending November 30, 2020, and the continued employment of the Reporting Person with the Company.

Remarks:

Stephen H. Faberman, Attorney-in-Fact

08/20/2018

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $\label{lem:Remonder:Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.$

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Stephen H. Faberman, Chief Legal Officer of Progress Software Corporation (the "Company"), the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- 1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Form 144 Notice of Proposed Sale of Securities pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933;
- 2. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or 10% shareholder of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- 3. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 144, 3, 4 or 5 and timely file such forms with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- 4. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interests of, or legally required by the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended and Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 144, 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 15th day of August, 2018.

John	Ainsworth		
Print	Name		

/s/John Ainsworth

Signature